FETAL TISSUE DONATION POSITION STATEMENT

1. The National Abortion Federation (NAF) supports fetal tissue donation for humanitarian and medical research. This research has the potential to help the millions of people suffering from diseases such as diabetes, Parkinson’s, Alzheimer’s, Huntington’s chorea, muscular dystrophy, leukemia, spinal cord injuries, infertility, and blindness.

2. NAF requires that all members adhere to the applicable local, state, and federal laws and regulations governing fetal tissue donation.

3. NAF strongly supports enforcement of the established laws and regulations designed to protect the rights of women who wish to make legal fetal tissue donation. We also support those facilities that participate in legal tissue donation. These laws and regulations govern informed consent and ensure the ethical collection and donation of tissue.

4. NAF strongly supports existing prohibitions against financial gain from fetal tissue donation.

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